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Publisher's Announcement.

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ASHEVILLE TO BE DRY.

Perhaps no city or town in North Carolina has made more strenuous efforts to banish the liquor traffic than Asheville.

There was a great temperance rally in that city on last Saturday at which Judge Jeter Pritchard and Hon. Locke Craig spoke from the same rostrum in behalf of prohibition. They made great and strong speeches which the people of that city believed will help them greatly in carrying the election for prohibition on next Tuesday.

The following is a partial report of Saturday's meeting through Sunday's News and Observer:

"Asheville was today made thoroughly aware of the earnestness and force behind the prohibition movement to put the saloons of the city out of business in October. The 'wets' from 'Missouri' were literally shown today. They were shown that the people of both Asheville and the county are determined to have no liquor sold in the fair city of Asheville, and the good old county of Buncombe. They were 'shown' that the days of the saloons in Asheville are numbered; that the people will on October 8th vote the drink evil out of the city and wipe away the open saloons that for the past half century have been a snare and a pitfall to the youth of this city.

"Today was the day for the grand rally of the city and county prohibitionists and how they did rally! They came from all parts of the county. They came on horse-back and in vehicles and a-foot. Mingling with and swelling the throng from the county were the hundreds of Asheville prohibitionists—men, women and children—wearing the white ribbon—the emblem of temperance. The town was literally thronged with people. It resembled circus day when Asheville was a burg and, too, it demonstrated beyond the shadow of a doubt the earnestness and determination with which the good people of Asheville have gone into the fight against the open saloon and its evil tendencies.

"After the parade of the prohibitionists today, headed by the First Regiment Band, and after they had traversed the principal streets of the city, the crowd found its way to the Auditorium, the city's big convention hall on Haywood street, where Hon. Locke Craig, candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, and Judge Jeter C. Pritchard of the United States Circuit Court bench, spoke from the same platform in advocacy of prohibition and in condemnation of the open saloon. The appearance of Judge Pritchard and Mr. Craig on the same platform—standing side by side and shoulder to shoulder, in advocacy of temperance was the signal for a burst of enthusiasm that has seldom been equalled here."

Miss Pearl M. Hardy Entertains.

(Correspondence to The Commonwealth.)
ROXBOROUGH, N. C., Sept. 18.—Miss Pearl M. Hardy was the charming hostess of a delightful party Wednesday evening given in honor of Miss Elizabeth Gordon and her brother, Rev. W. J. Gordon, rector of the Episcopal church in Williamston. The Colonial porch with its decorations of many beautiful potted plants was softly lighted by Japanese lanterns.

Miss Pearl was gracefully assisted in receiving by her sister, Mrs. E. B. Hardy.

After the amusements of the evening ice cream and cake was served. Those enjoying the pleasant evening were: Misses Elizabeth Gordon, of Williamston, N. C.; Bessie H. Smith, of Scotland Neck, N. C.; Mary Lee Capehart, Eva Bishop, Annie and Bessie Norfleet, Rev. W. J. Gordon, of Williamston, N. C.; Messrs. Julian Norfleet, of Montgomery, Ala.; Donald H. Norfleet, of Shreveport, La.; Midshipman J. P. Norfleet, U. S. N.; William and Edgar Norfleet and Carl Baby Livermon.

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COTTON MEETING.

President Moore Calls This for Raleigh Wednesday of State Fair.

A great meeting of the cotton farmers of North Carolina is to be held in Raleigh on Wednesday, October 16, this in the Great State Fair Week. Railroad rates are especially low.

The meeting is to be an important one and it should be attended by all cotton farmers who can come. The Southern Cotton Association recently set 15 cents a pound as the price for cotton and it is now selling for less than twelve cents. This will be one matter considered, and President C. C. Moore in his call for the convention, published below, says cotton will sell at 15 cents before the next crop is made.

CALL FOR THE CONVENTION.

The call for the convention is as follows:

The cotton farmers of North Carolina will hold the fall convention at Raleigh, on Wednesday, Oct. 16.

President Harvie Jordan will be present and will address the convention on matters that will be of interest to every man in the state.

A call for delegates from farmers in every township where cotton is grown and from business men of every town and city where cotton is marketed. Every section of the State where cotton is grown and marketed should at once select delegates to represent their section at this important meeting.

Farmers, merchants hold your cotton from market when price is declining, do not depress price by selling on declining market.

Cotton is worth 15 cents commercially and will sell for 15 cents before another crop is made.

C. C. MOORE,
Pres. N. C. Division S. C. A.
Charlotte, N. C.

Shot From Amashush.

(Enfield Telegram.)

On last Saturday night a cold blooded murder was committed about five miles west of Enfield. Major Hunter, a colored man had been to the town where he kept a stand on Saturdays for the sale of snuffs. He did not close business until late and left the town after dark to go home traveling in a single wagon drawn by a mule. As he neared home he left the main road to take supper with Ben Wilkins, his father-in-law, as he knew his wife and infant child would be there. Wilkins lives a short distance from and in sight of the main road and Hunter lived on the same road only a few hundred yards further on. Having taken supper Hunter took his wife and child in the rear of the wagon. In order to reach his home it was not necessary to go back to the main road but he followed a narrow roadway or cart path which ran through a skirt of pines which separated the two houses. When he had gotten within 30 or 40 yards from his house he was shot in the face by some one lying in wait hidden in a clump of dogwood bushes.

He fell back in the wagon and the mule went on to the house. He got out of the wagon himself and staggered some distance and fell in his cotton from whence he was removed to his house. He lived until 2 o'clock Sunday morning when he died. His wife heard some one run from the clump of bushes when the gun was fired but being so terrified did not scan the man. The murder took place about 11 o'clock. Rumor is busy to the perpetrator of the foul crime and all suspicions point to the same man.

A Mother Hen at the Age of 4 Months.
(Elkin Times.)

Mr. J. H. Guyer, who lives about four miles northeast of Elkin, tells us that he had some chickens hatched out in April and that some of the pullets from this brood began laying the early part of August. After laying about a dozen eggs one of them decided to hatch out a brood of her own. She went about the work as patiently as an old hen. About the first of September the work was completed and she now has a brood of eight young chickens which she is looking after. Being a mother hen at a little more than four months' old beats the record.

Letter to Tom White.

(Scotland Neck, N. C.)

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EDITOR IS ARRESTED.

He Talks "Sassy" and Makes Appeal To a Higher Court.

(Dunn Guide.)

During the year 1894 the editor of The Guide came to Dunn to cast his lot, and since that time has put forth every effort for the advancement and betterment of the town and people. If we have failed in this we have made an honest failure. During this period we have lived under the various town governments and have tried at all times to keep the law. We have respected the law and advised our readers to do the same. We have stood against what we considered evil for the town and community and in so doing have made enemies, but they count for little, yea, they count for nothing in the shaping of our sense of right.

On last Friday morning the little "blue coat" served notice on us that a warrant was in his possession and he desired us to appear at the Mayor's office to answer to a charge sworn out by himself. At the appointed hour we were present and it developed that he, "the blue coat," had made the complaint and issued the warrant against us for placing the wood saw on one sidewalk on a back street to cut four cords of wood, the same belonging to Mr. D. Turnage.

The sworn testimony of Mr. Turnage was that he got permission from Turn to cord the wood on the walk with the understanding that the wood saw was to be engaged and the wood cut and thrown into the back yard, thereby clearing away the obstruction. As soon as the saw was placed the warrant was issued. It was also proved by every witness upon the stand that there was sufficient room left on this walk for people to pass with ease and comfort, and it was also proven that very little travel takes place on this street.

The editor was represented by Hon. J. C. Clifford and the town by Mr. E. F. Young. The case was heard by John E. Wilson, mayor pro tem, a man that never met Solomon's dogs in the road; a man that never fell down at the feet of Gamaliel; a man that we doubt had a passing acquaintance with Blackstone. Much more might be said of him in passing but most of our readers know him. Of course we appealed from his fine of ten dollars and will call upon twelve honest, sincere countrymen who know justice and dare to do the right.

The man who knows where The Guide stands knows the why and wherefore of the whole matter.

Figures Tell the Story.

(Atlanta Constitution.)

There comes cumulative statistical evidence that the Farmers' Union was right when it met at Little Rock and fixed the minimum price of middling cotton at 15 cents.

Government statistics just published show that American manufacturers alone, in the year ending August 31, 1907, took 5,296,783 bales, as against 4,820,990 the year before, which means an increased consumption right here at home of approximately half a million bales in one year.

There is every reason to believe there will be similar increased takings during the year which has just opened, and with anything like proportionate demand from the world's great foreign markets, it is apparent that this year's crop will not begin to meet the demands of consumption.

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State of North Carolina, Executive Department.

Whereas, official information has been received at this Department that N. F. Minshew and Lamb or L. L. Savage stand charged with the murder of Ellis Merritt on the night of August 14th, 1907, in Halifax county. And, whereas, it appears that the said N. F. Minshew and Lamb or L. L. Savage have fled the State or so concealed themselves that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon them:

Now, therefore, I, R. B. Glenn, Governor of the State of North Carolina, by virtue of authority in me vested by law, do issue this my Proclamation, offering a reward of TWO HUNDRED (\$200) DOLLARS for the apprehension and delivery of the said N. F. Minshew and Lamb or L. L. Savage to the Sheriff of Halifax county at the Court House in Halifax, N. C., and I do enjoin all officers of the State and all good citizens to assist in bringing said criminals to justice.

Done at our city of Raleigh, the 25th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and seven, and in the one hundred and thirty-second year of our American Independence.

By the Governor:
A. H. ARRINGTON,
Private Secretary.

DESCRIPTION.

N. F. Minshew age 40, about five feet nine inches high, weighs 160 pounds, dark and sallow complexion, stooped shoulders, clean shaven, but can grow heavy beard, wears eight or nine shoe, few white or brown spots around mouth, very dark hair.

L. L. Savage, age 37, height about five feet seven inches, weight 155, short neck, bald head, down-cast look, number seven shoes.

Notice.

By virtue of power vested in me as commissioner, in that proceeding in the Superior Court of Halifax County, North Carolina, entitled "R. G. Dunn and Mary Dunn vs. W. B. G. Dunn and Annie V. Dunn," by the order of sale made in said proceeding, by S. M. Gary, Clerk of the Superior Court, on the 28th day of August, 1907, I will on the 7th day of October, 1907, at the court house door in Halifax, N. C., sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, lying and being in Halifax County, North Carolina, Enfield Township, adjoining the lands of B. F. Tillery, Mrs. Bettie Draughan and others, more specifically described as follows, to-wit: First Tract—Lying and being in Enfield Township, on the road leading from Merritts Bridge to Enfield and known as the Washington Whitehead Place, and adjoining the lands of B. F. Tillery, Will Askew and the Main Run of Fishing Creek and containing three hundred and sixty acres, more or less. Second Tract—Lying and being in Enfield Township on the road leading from Merritts Bridge to Enfield, known as the Short Swamp Place adjoining the lands of Bettie Draughan, N. B. Josey and Will Askew and containing two hundred and eighty acres, more or less.

This the 4th day of September, 1907.

R. O. EVERETT,
Commissioner.
S. A. DUNN,
Attorney.

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